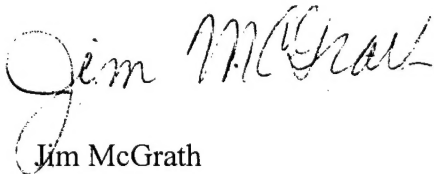


the EIR will focus the impact analysis on the specific environmental issues mentioned above.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project is located within the northwestern portion of the City of Oakland in Alameda County along the eastern shore of San Francisco Bay as shown on Exhibit 1. The site is situated in the northern portion of the area within the boundaries of the Navy's former FISCO facility. See Exhibit 2. The project consists of raising the current ground elevation (grade) and repaving the site for the development of eight rail lines (approximately 45,000 feet of loading and storage track), and associated entrance gate, administrative and maintenance structures and installation of new utility systems. The railyard will be configured to allow for main track entrance and exit connections to the existing Union Pacific/Southern Pacific main rail lines. The terminal will be designed to provide trailer-on-flat-car, container-on-flat-car, and double-stack transfer services. The project will include areas for container storage and truck parking, and the configuration of new roadway access. (Exhibit 3) The project will be constructed in several phases as needed to accommodate the growth of the intermodal cargo market and augment the throughput capacities of the neighboring UP/SP rail yard. The first phase consists of the construction of approximately 9000 feet of track to facilitate the integration of the Burlington Northern/Santa Fe railway into the Port's intermodal cargo distribution system. This phase is expected to begin construction in 1999.

SCOPING PROCESS: The scoping period is scheduled to commence on Wednesday January 28, 1998. Within 30 days after receiving this Notice of Preparation, but no later than Thursday February 26, 1998, each Responsible Agency will provide the Lead Agency with specific details about the scope and content of the environmental information related to the Responsible Agency's area of statutory responsibility which must be included in the EIR.

Written comments on the scope of work for the EIR will also be accepted by the Port of Oakland until 5:00 PM, February 28, 1998. There will be a public scoping meeting in the Port Board Conference Room, located on the 2nd floor of the Port of Oakland Administrative Building, 530 Water Street, Oakland, California, from 6:00-7:30 PM on February 18, 1998. Questions regarding this scoping process or preparation of the EIR and written comments may be directed to Ms. Lauren Eisele, Project Manager, Environmental Planning Department, Port of Oakland, 530 Water Street, Oakland, CA 94607, (510) 272-1380. Attendees with special accommodation needs may contact Ms. Misi Pulu, Environmental Planning Department, at (510) 272-1238.



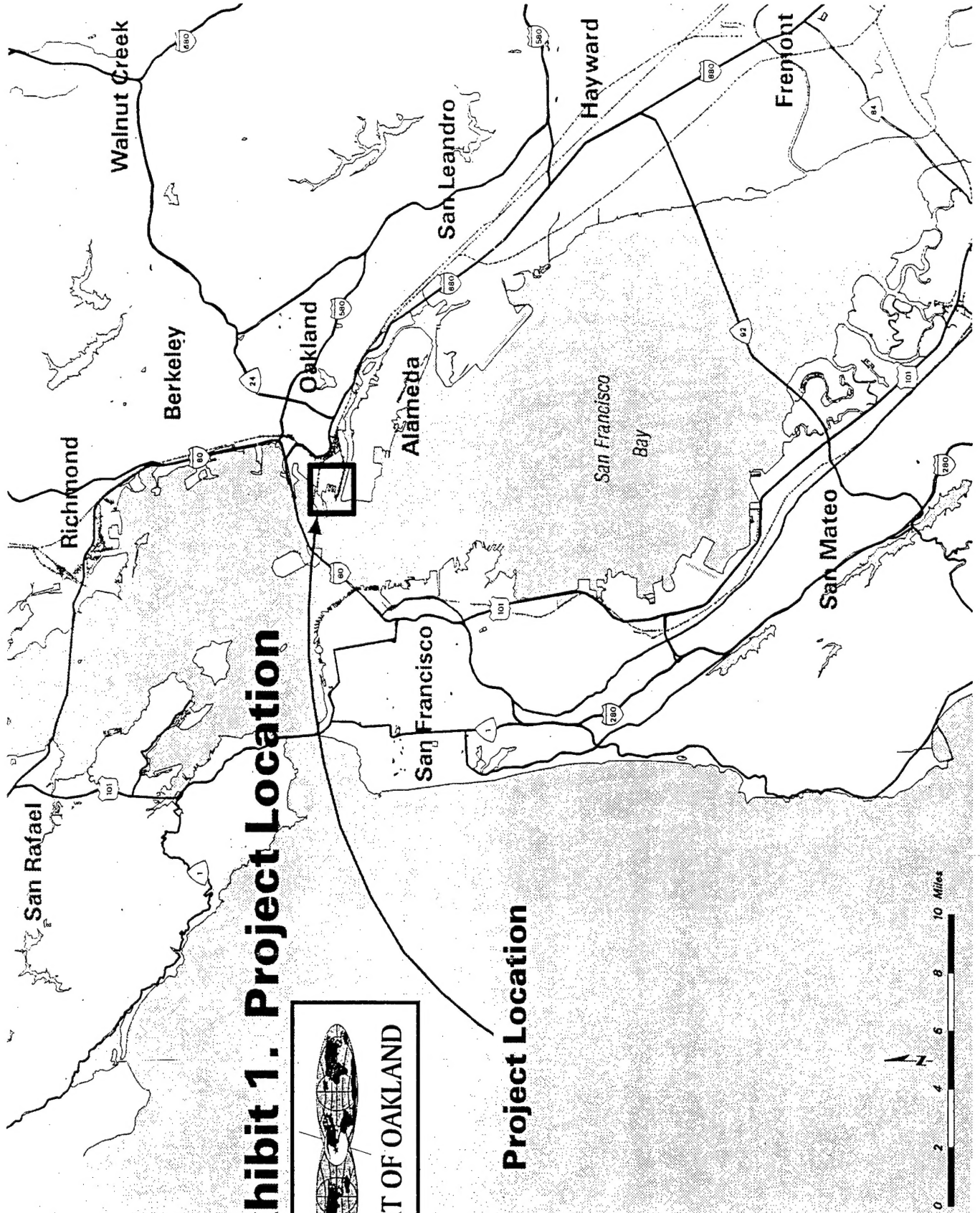
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Exhibit 1. Project Location



Project Location



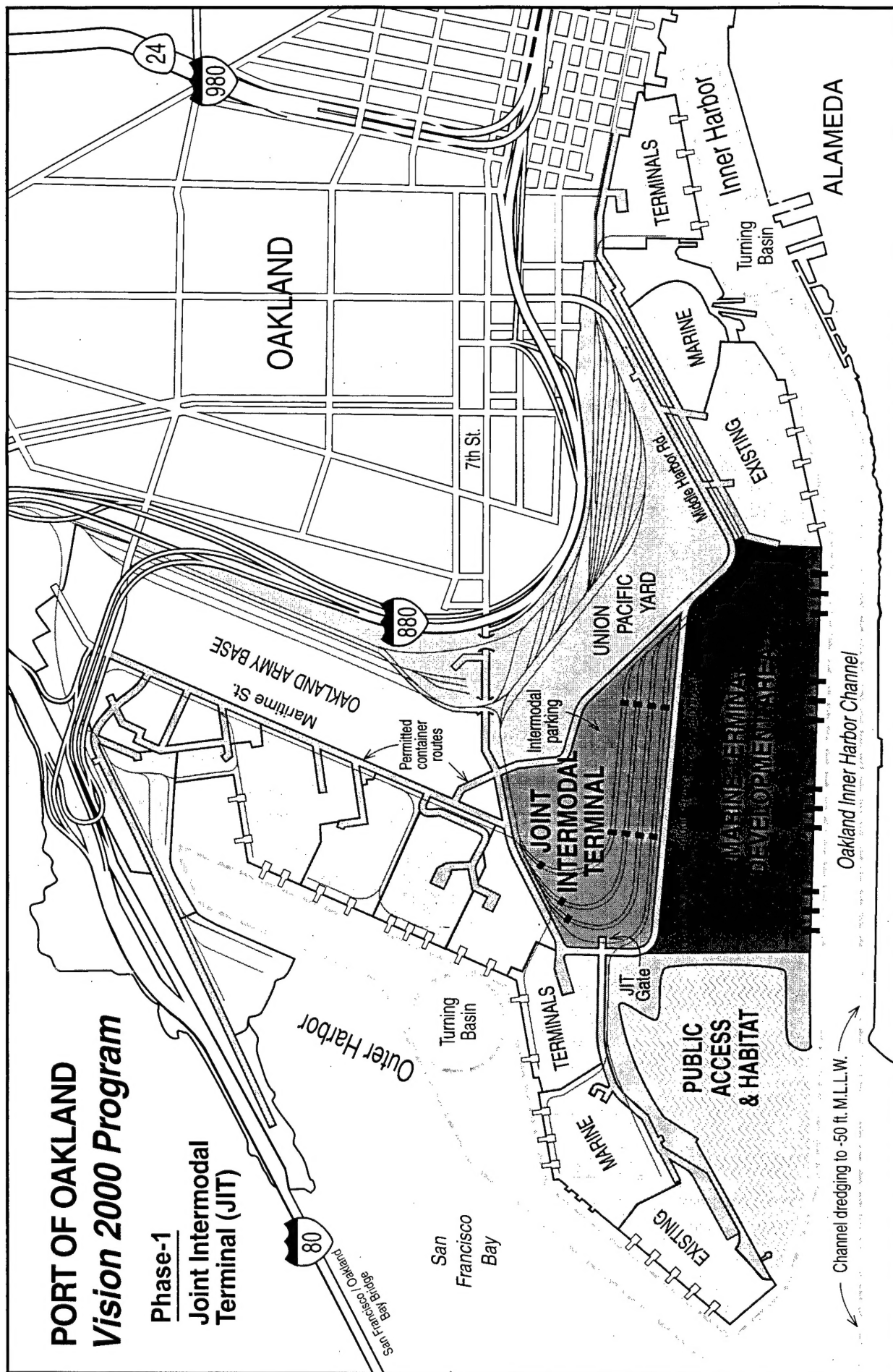
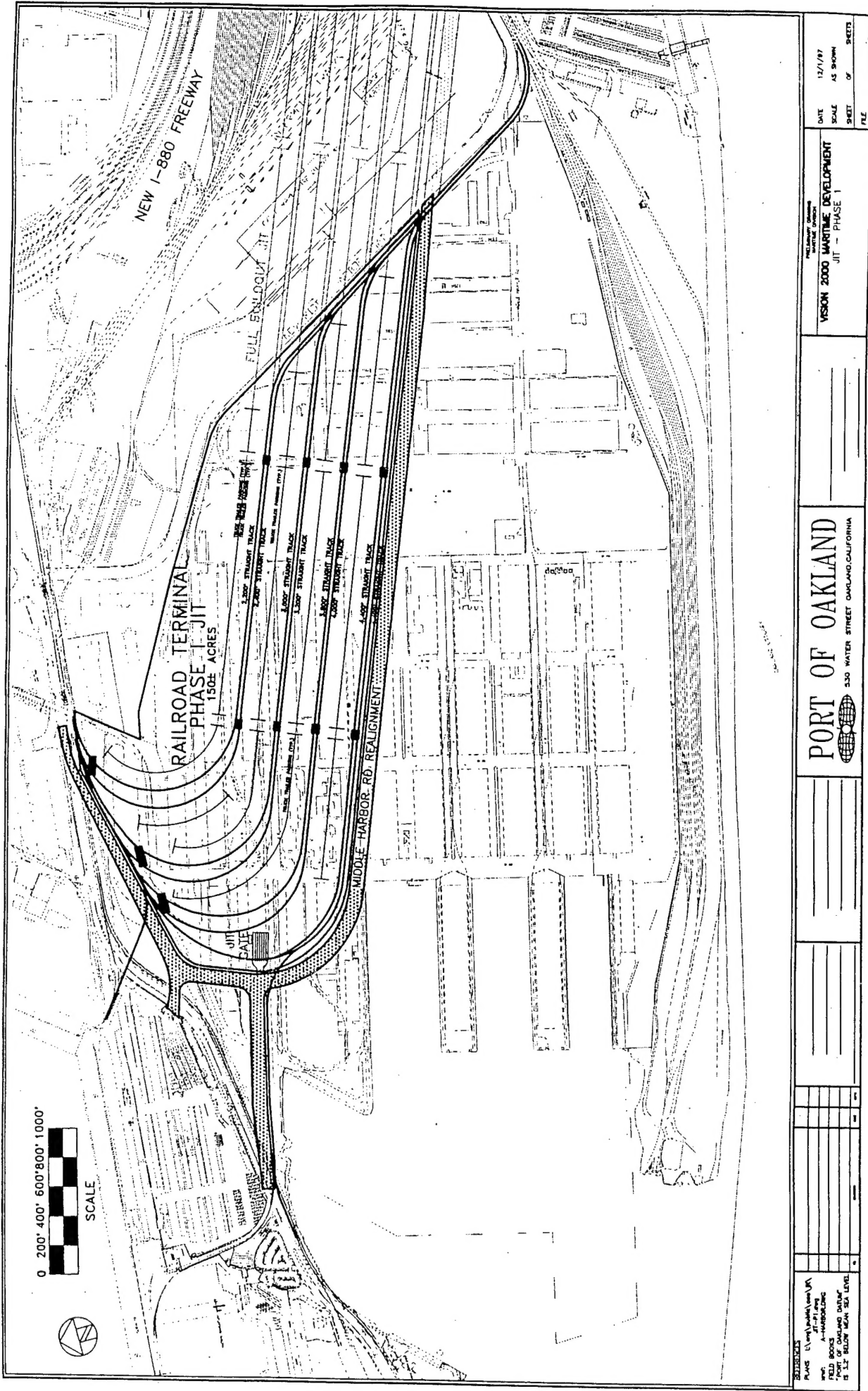



Exhibit 2.




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PLANS	1/10/87	1/10/87
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BY THE ENGINEER	1/10/87	1/10/87